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We are continuing to learn about the risks to the environment and ultimately our health posed by hydraulic fracturing. With the current pressures facing safe water supply and the Delaware river water shed, it is critical that we put these concerns first. The State of New York prohibited fracking based on environmental and public health analysis. The NY Department of Health concluded that the overall weight of the evidence demonstrated the likelihood that adverse health outcomes and environmental impacts from fracking could not be prevented, leading to the Governor's decision to ban high volume hydraulic fracturing in the state. The natural gas industry has received unprecedented exemptions from our nation's most important environmental and public health laws, including the Safe Drinking Water Act, Clean Air Act, and the Clean Water Act. It is time to put the citizens first and permanently ban natural gas drilling and all related activities throughout the Delaware river watershed.